

## MAYOR ENTERS "NOT GUILTY" PLEA WHEN UP

LOS ANGELES, March 22.—(P)—Mayor Frederick Woodman this morning entered a plea of not guilty when brought into court to answer to the charge of accepting a bribe. The grand jury had indicted him on that charge after considering much evidence in the grand jury room.

Woodman, who is a candidate for re-election, wants the trial to be held before the primaries are held. He ascribes the move as one inaugurated by his enemies to discredit him politically.

The specific charge upon which he will be tried is that of soliciting and accepting bribes from those who conducted gambling games, blind pigs and other resorts. It is alleged that he demanded the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars as his "bit" for permitting these institutions to run and that he had accepted two thousand dollars as the first payment.

## BRITISH VIEWS ARE EXPRESSED

LONDON, March 22.—(P)—In speaking of the attitude of the dominions of Great Britain regarding the participation of England in deciding the difficulties of European nations Robert Borden, one of the members of the British peace delegation, today stated that the dominions do not think that they should take the responsibility of participation in those difficulties unless England was concerned or directly involved.

This statement was made in answer to a query as to what part Great Britain would take when the time came for her to pass judgment upon the controversy between the Jugo-Slavs and Italy.

## POSTMASTER IS REMOVING MANY WIRE OFFICERS

WASHINGTON, March 22.—(P)—Postmaster-General A. S. Burleson has summarily relieved all of the chief officers, directors and owners of the Postal Telegraph company from their duties in connection with the government's operation of the system.

The action of the postmaster-general was caused by differences existing between himself and the officials regarding the manner of conducting the business. The government will not tolerate any interference on the part of the officials, and after due warning had been given the removals were made.

To conduct the affairs of the company Burleson has named A. F. Adams, president of the Kansas City Home Telephone company, to assume complete charge.

## AUSTRALIA HAS OFFERED PRIZE

MELBOURNE, March 22.—(P)—The Australian government has taken a great interest in ocean flights by heavier than air machines and is making every inducement to the flying men of the country to enter into competition for an ocean voyage in the air to England.

To stimulate the aviators into action the government has authorized the award of a prize of fifty thousand dollars to be awarded to the first Australian aviator who will make a successful flight from any point in Australia to the coast of England. No special conditions will be imposed on the aviators. All the winner has to do is to make the flight with government officials at the start and finish.

## GARRISON GIRL IS OUT OF JAIL

SEATTLE, March 22.—(P)—Ruth Garrison was today removed from the county jail and placed in the House of the Good Shepherd, a Catholic institution. Until the time of holding her trial she will be confined there under guard of a matron. The sheriff of King county did not deem it advisable to have the girl remain in jail and associate with other hardened inmates confined for various crimes. Prosecut-

ing Attorney Brown objected strenuously to the removal saying that the girl was not entitled to receive any more consideration than the other women prisoners.

The first evidence of a realization of her crime was witnessed yesterday at the time she was arraigned. When brought before the bar and charged with the murder she broke down and cried. A week's time was given her in which to enter her plea.

## MISSOURIANS WANT REED TO TEST HIMSELF

JEFFERSON CITY, March 22.—(P)—One of the most novel schemes for having the opinion of the people of the state of Missouri on the league of nations expressed, and at the same time to have the standing of Senator James A. Reed established is proposed by the democratic members of the state legislature.

Fifty members of the legislature, all democrats, have offered to resign their office if Senator Reed will do the same. They then propose to run for office again, as they suggest that Reed should do, and at the same time that the ballots were cast on the candidates the voice of the people would be expressed by their balloting on the league of nations.

Senator Reed has made a name for himself for his attack on the proposed league of nations, but has caused himself a loss of following. It is very doubtful if he will accept the proposal of the legislators.

## VIOLENT MOBS RUIN BUDAPEST

COPENHAGEN, March 22.—(P)—Budaepes dispatches state that mob rule has become prevalent in that city. The postoffice and the military buildings were stormed by thousands of the unruly element and wrecked completely. The honored Honved monument was totally destroyed and many other acts of depredation were reported.

The actions of the mob are charged to the extreme socialists who are reported as being in favor of proclaiming a soviet form of government for Hungary. Thousands of agitators keep the men stirred up and to them is attributed the work of the mob. The socialist leaders are using every endeavor to secure the loyal soldiers to their side in order that the entire city and the palaces may be given over to looting.

## TO INVESTIGATE ATROCITIES OF BULGAR TROOPS

WASHINGTON, March 22.—(P)—The state department made known today that it was the intention of the United States government to appoint a commission to make an investigation of the reported atrocities of the Bulgarian troops upon the people of Serbia.

According to the information received by the state department the actions of the Bulgars are of an unspeakable nature. The advice stated that it was and is the intention of the Bulgarians to exterminate the whole of the Serbian nation. Some of the Serb villages which are in the path of the Bulgars were wiped out completely, not a soul being left alive to relate the massacre. Mothers with babes at their breasts were killed like dogs and cruelties were particularly practiced upon the women. All of the young girls of the villages were taken to the Bulgar camps and given over to the soldiers. Instances have been cited where whole villages were either killed by the bayonet or else shot down by machine gun fire. Numerous instances have been made known where unheard of torture was applied to the unfortunate people that were met along the road. Through those sections in which the Bulgars are operating the people are in a state of terror for they know that death is their lot when they are discovered.

The truth of these reports will be closely investigated by the commission and it is highly probable that intervention may take place.

## THREE NATIONS RECOGNIZE INDEPENDENCE OF LITHUANIA

NEW YORK, March 22.—(P)—The state department was today officially notified by the representatives of Denmark, Sweden and Switzerland that their countries had given recognition to the independence of Lithuania.

# ULTIMATUM OF ITALY CAUSING MUCH CONCERN

PARIS, March 22.—(P)—The ultimatum which has been given by the members of the Italian peace delegation to the remainder of the powers concerning Dalmatia and the city of Fiume is causing much concern among the delegates of the other nations but it is believed that a favorable solution will be worked out. Italy threatens to withdraw from the peace conference unless its demands regarding the Adriatic situation are complied with.

RELIES ON AMERICA'S SUPPORT  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—Italy is relying to a great extent on the support of the United States in having its claim to the city of Fiume and other Dalmatian territory established. It not only looks to the support of the American delegation but also to those of Great Britain and France.

WILSON MAY TAKE CHARGE  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—In view of the situation which has developed in the dispute between the Italians and the Jugo-Slavs over the possession of the city of Fiume and the threat of the Italian delegation to withdraw from the peace conference it is believed that President Wilson will take charge of the whole situation and work out some solution to the problem. All details in connection with the claims of both countries will be called for by the President and he will then take the matter under advisement. Just when this will be is not known.

HOUSE'S PLAN SOON READY  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—Col. E. M. House, who has been working on the Fiume and Dalmatian question for the past two days announces that within a day or so he will have a solution to the difficulty to offer to both countries. No intimation as to its nature has been divulged nor will it be until it has been presented for consideration to both countries.

ITALIANS ARE OBDURATE  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—As soon as it became known that Col. House had arrived at a probable solution of the Dalmatian controversy the Italian delegation immediately announced that unless the solution gave unto Italy the city of Fiume it might just as well be not rendered for under no circumstances would it be accepted by either the Italian members, the parliament, or the people. Italy is determined to have Fiume even if its possession incurs the displeasure of the rest of the nations.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS MAY ENTER MATTER  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—It is more than likely that Italy will have to consider the attitude that will be taken by the powers under the provisions mentioned in the constitution of the proposed league of nations. This article has been under the consideration of the neutral nations for the past two days. At the conference it was recognized that the article providing for coercive measures against any state breaking its relations with the league without first submitting its grievances to a league conference should be enforced as it was a good measure. Italy's attention will be drawn to this section and she will then be called upon to govern herself accordingly.

LABOR LEGISLATION DONE  
PARIS, March 22.—(P)—The conference commission which has been dealing with the international labor legislation has completed its labors with the exception of drawing up its final report. This will be done within a short time and submitted to the supreme council for its adoption or amending. Nearly all of the special commissions have their work about completed and it is that but a short time will elapse before all matters will have been put in such shape that a rapid conclusion of the peace terms may be had.

## BOLSHEVISM IS WELL DEFINED

NEW YORK, March 22.—(P)—Charles Pergler, the new Czechoslovak minister to America, characterizes Bolshevism as the socialism of the ignorant classes. He states that Bolshevism will never gain a foothold among the Czechs or the Slovaks because of the high intellectual standards of the people. Pergler is a man of studious habits and is considered one of the foremost men of his country. He has made a study of Bolshevism ever since it became prominent. An effort was made by agents to introduce it into his country but they were driven out of the country and given life-long mementoes of their visit.

## THE SMALLEST OF PLANTS

An exchange reports that there is found in the Red Sea a certain tiny plant from which that body of water gets its name. The plant is so minute that 25,000,000 individual ones may occupy a single square inch.

## TWO CAMPS TO BE PERMANENT

SAN DIEGO, March 22.—(P)—It was learned today that the government intends to make permanent institutions of two of the military camps in California.

The aviation branch will have the use of Rockwell field. This place will probably be used as a training station and also as the headquarters of the western aviation branch of the army. Camp Kearney will also be maintained as a permanent military base for the western division.

## NOTED SISTERS ARE DEPORTED

SEATTLE, March 22.—(P)—The movement toward cleaning up the city of the Bolshevik and anarchist element was commenced today in earnest. One of the first actions of the authorities was the shipping

of nine persons of this class to Ellis Island for deportation.

Included in the lot were the noted Roy sisters, Margaret and Janet. Margaret attempted to evade being deported by marrying a man who alleged that he was an American citizen. The authorities made a search to ascertain if his statement was true but were unable to find any evidence to that effect. The husband of the Roy woman could offer no substantial proof of his assertion and she was accordingly sent along with the rest of the lot.

## LETTS MENACE THE BOLSHEVIKI AT PETROGRAD

PARIS, March 22.—(P)—It is reported that the Lettish offensive in Estonia is meeting with success at all points, the Lett forces being triumphant in all their engagements, and they are now threatening Petrograd. The small detachments which have been operating away from the main body are being drawn in and as soon as these are assembled the march upon the Russian city will commence.

Trotsky views the advance with alarm and is taking serious consideration of the forces which up to a short time ago had never been considered as being a factor in the present struggle. Trotsky has ordered a general mobilization of all men up to forty-six years of age to meet and repel the invading Letts.

## ITALY EXPECTS DECISION MADE BY THE ALLIES

HALIFAX, March 22.—(P)—General Gumelelmotti, the Italian military attaché of the Italian embassy at Washington, who is visiting in this city, stated today that the allies must choose between Italy and the Jugo-Slavs regarding the Dalmatian question.

That the Italian government is expecting to come out ahead in the controversy is evidenced by his remarks. It was his belief that his country expected the United States, France and England to back it up in its claims for the Dalmatian coast and especially the city of Fiume.

## WILL PROBABLY CALL A SPECIAL SESSION IN MAY

PARIS, March 22.—(P)—President Wilson announced today that in all probability he would call a special session of congress about the middle of May upon his return to America. He will probably return to the United States before that time if the peace treaty has advanced sufficiently to permit him to absent himself.

The President is being kept in close touch with all occurrences at home by his secretary and the secretary of the treasury. This particularly pertains to the home sentiment regarding the league of nations.

## GREAT UNREST NOW NOTICED

VLADIVOSTOK, March 22.—(P)—Owing to the feeling of unrest in this district the allies are taking steps to protect both life and property in Siberia. It is believed that a revolution is imminent.

The allied commanders draw their conclusions from the actions of the people and especially those of the peasant class, who have been quietly arming themselves and otherwise making preparations as tho for fighting. A great feeling of unrest is noticeable among this class and it is that that but very little will be required to plunge this section into a state of revolutionary warfare.

## MANY TROOPS HAVE COME HOME DURING THE MONTH

WASHINGTON, March 22.—(P)—The war department officially announced today that during the period between February 28th to March 20th two hundred and four thousand troops have returned from overseas. This brings the total number of troops returned to America since the first of February to half a million. It was also stated that a total of 1,476,076 men were yet on foreign soil.

## FEDERALS GIVE VILLISTAS ONE MORE LICKING

CHIHUAHUA, March 22.—(P)—The Villa forces were given another whipping today by the federal troops near the town Satevo, fifty miles south of here. The Villistas were caught between the forks of two branches of the Conchas river and were in a regular trap. The federal troops under command of General Amaro came upon the rebel leader and a large force. An engagement took place at once in which Villa and his band were worsted. At the conclusion of the fighting nearly fifty of the rebels were killed and a number wounded. This comprised nearly half of his band so his losses were considerable. The federals lost but few men as the attack was made suddenly with the Villistas at a disadvantage.

## WILL RELEASE FEW PRISONERS

PARIS, March 22.—(P)—Within a short time the French government will start the work of releasing its prisoners of war. Those who were born in Danish Schleswig will be allowed their freedom first.

The action of the government is in conformity with that of Great Britain, which has taken the same steps as France regarding the release of those born in the Danish province. Just what number of the prisoners on hand were born within Schleswig is not known and a demand will be made on the German war office that a list be furnished for guidance. On checking the release the prisoners themselves will be questioned as to where born in order that no mistakes will be made.

## GERMANS KICK AGAINST POLES USING SEAPORT

COPENHAGEN, March 22.—(P)—Advices have been received here that the newspapers of Berlin are inaugurating a vigorous campaign protesting against the reported action of the allies in granting Poland a corridor to the Baltic sea thru Germany.

Berlin has been advised that the allies propose to see that Poland will have a sea port for the convenience of its shipping and that the port in view is Danzig, on the Baltic. Germany declares that it will oppose any landing of the Poles at the Baltic port, and that her country must not be violated by a concession of this nature.

## IT'S SNOWING NEAR DENVER

DENVER, March 22.—(P)—The weather conditions in the eastern part of the state took a sudden turn within the last twenty-four hours. Hardly had that section recovered from the recent blizzards and storm when another storm arose. At the present time it is snowing heavily and the wind is high. Huge drifts are piled on the railroads and the wet, heavy snow has caused a break in the telegraphic communication to eastern points.

The telegraph companies have been compelled to route their messages thru the northern and Canadian lines, causing much delay and a curtailment of business. Only the most important matters will be sent over the wires during the day time. The evening papers are feeling this condition more than anyone else owing to the routing of their press report, which delay is considerable.

## CHAS. RECEIVES A BLUE TICKET

COPENHAGEN, March 22.—(P)—It is reported in Vienna dispatches that the Austrian government has given former Emperor Charles notice to leave the country, that his absence is highly desirable.

The former emperor has been quite active in striving to promote some scheme whereby he could be restored to the throne, and had already quite a following. The present government had no desire to see another lot of trouble arise and the leaving order was accordingly given.

## GOOD OUTLOOK SEEMS ASSURED COMING SEASON

The Manley Hot Springs district will witness considerable mining activity the coming summer according to a late arrival from down river.

Howell & Cleveland will resume hydraulic operations on Boulder creek; Steve Jasper has purchased his partner's interest on Boulder and will continue his operations this season; "Skagway Jim," who was mining on that creek last summer, will work again this summer.

Over on Sullivan creek Howell & Cleveland, who have secured options on considerable ground with the intention of doing open-cut work, will continue to ground sluice the top off on the Abe Lincoln claim. Al Howell, Jimmy Lipsky and Jack O'Leary have taken out a winter dump on the famous Midnight Sun claim; Martin Danielson is working at the mouth of Woodchopper; Shorty Robinson and Otto Hovely are prospecting in the flats on Sullivan creek; Ed Ness will employ a large crew on American creek in open-cut mining this season, and Mike Murray has a large dump out on this creek. Altogether it looks good this season.

## TANANA LOSES AN ATTRACTION; WHALE IS DEAD

Tanana, the only city in all Alaska to boast of having a live whale on exhibition, has come back with the rest of the commonplace towns; its whale is dead.

Ever since the freezeup the post town has been flaunting its chief attraction before the whole interior. Men and women have made long journeys to view the only live whale in captivity in Alaska. With the demise of the animal the residents of Tanana have nothing more to arouse them from their daily routine until the ice goes out and the first boat arrives.

Mr. (or Mrs.) Whale was in very good health just a few minutes before its demise.

Some of the enterprising spirits among the enlisted men at the post conceived the plan of garnering a few shekels for the replenishing of the exchequer and make their arrangements accordingly. Making a huge harpoon that would have held a dreadnaught fast even tho it were going at full speed the fishing squad accompanied by a company of sharpshooters, approached the lair of the unsuspecting whale and within a few minutes the battle was on. The harpooning squad succeeded in making fast to the big fish and then the firing brigade opened up. They fired by squad, platoon and by company. An extra supply of ammunition was taken along, and before the fray was over it was all used up. By that time the whale had given up the ghost. Taking their catch from the refuge it had sought in making the trip to Dawson it was placed on a double-decker and brot to town and placed on exhibition for the public to gaze at—fifty cents per gaze. At late reports the boys were doing quite a business, as many of the people had never seen a whale before; some of them came twice in order to have an indelible picture of the biggest fish in the interior in their mind. The boys expect to make a little more money off their catch, for whale meat is a great delicacy and the town of Tanana is rather short on delicacies.

## LAND DISPUTE ENDS IN FIGHT

Owing to an argument arising out of the ownership of a small parcel of land two residents of Grashel yesterday engaged in the old-fashioned method of settlement with no rules governing the contest. One of the men alleged that the land was his, the other likewise. Prior to the time of the argument both held each other in high regard and to show just how high was the esteem of one for the other one of them is now wearing a badly discolored optic, which will remind him of his neighbor's affections. Late reports state that the matter in dispute has been amicably adjusted and that the men are better friends than ever—the "fight" was mighty.

Sylvester Howell came in from his drill operations on Steele creek to spend Sunday among his friends.